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1. According to an official statement by the Warnow-Shipyard, the passenger steamer Russ, formerly the SS Cordillera, will be ready by March 1951. Derusting work was performed in the new bunkers, tanks and in the double bottom in October 1950. The installation of the ballast pipe system, the bunker heating and fire extinguishing systems and the auxiliary machinery was in process.
2. The freighter Ligovo was nearing completion. Foundations of the principal engines were being reinstalled. With these operations completed the ship will be ready to leave port.
3. The freighter Sovietskaya Gavan will be ready by April 1951. She is being derusted, and repairs to pipe system and engines are being carried out. *
4. The Ruseklis will probably be ready by January 1951. Installation work on the propelling shaft and several auxiliaries was under way in October 1950. Repair and installation work on the live and exhaust-steam pipe systems for both the auxiliary machinery and the pressure and suction lines was also started.
5. The SS Karelia will be ready by February 1951. The bunker-heating system and the speaking tubes were being installed. Deck and bulkhead tube leads were being fitted in. Renewal on the deck planking and the paneling of the cabins was continued. **
6. Work on the Leninbrun has not been started yet.
7. The wreck of the Maria lies in the shipyard for the removal of mud and rust. ***
8. The SS Hamburg is still moored in the roadstead where she will be freed from mud and derusted. Pipe line and cables aboard the vessel were being dismantled.

* Comment. This is probably the 7,716-GRT ship 25X1

Another report indicated that the vessel had been lying in a shipyard in Odessa since February 1950 after a fire aboard her. On 26 July the Sovetskaya Gavan passed the Kiel Canal, bound for Leningrad.

** Comment. Of 310 GRT, built in the Marti Shipyard in Leningrad in 1930. 25X1
The Karelia was last observed in the Baltic in November 1949.

*** Comment. This vessel was lying in position 51°53'01"N/12°47'02"E. Salvage operations by Soviet salvage vessel Ventspils started on 5 July 1950. Early in August 1950 Footent was assigned the salvage operations.

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